

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1461

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Tess Jones on her selection as the 2021–2022 Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Tess Jones is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Tess Jones has been selected as the 2021–2022 Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jones has served with acumen and alacrity as a second-grade teacher at Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School for eight years; and

WHEREAS, a team leader for second-grade, Mrs. Jones has served as the chair of the school's production committee for five years; she also coordinates the annual Veterans Day breakfast and program; and

WHEREAS, a native of Roan Mountain, Mrs. Jones is a graduate of Cloudland High School; she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Tennessee Technological University and a Master of Arts degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Tusculum University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jones is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tess Jones serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Mrs. Jones is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship she shares with her husband of ten years, Cody, and their children, Audrina and Benson; and

WHEREAS, Tess Jones truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Tess Jones on being chosen as the 2021–2022 Fairview-Marguerite Elementary School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.